

# Camp Policies in Brief

**About Your Car.** The Camp is for People, the Main Parking Area is for Cars. Please return your car to Main Parking as soon as possible after off-loading your camping gear. Please do not drive your car into the wooded areas of camp; just pull completely off the road and carry your gear the last few feet to your camp site. Please do not ever leave your vehicle in intersections or in any of the entrances to the High Meadow or the Kitchen.

**IF YOU HAVE A HANDICAPPED PLACARD FOR YOUR CAR, SEE US FOR YOUR FREE PARKING PASS.**

**About In-Camp Parking by Permit.** A very limited number of In-Camp Parking Spots are available by permit directly across from the Coffee Dragons Hospitality Pavilion. A Parking Pass for your vehicle is \$25, purchased at Registration. Please park your vehicle as instructed, or as close to the red ribbon and the other cars as you can. **There is no other legal place to park in camp! Illegally parked cars will be towed!**

**About High Meadow Car Camping by Permit.** Car camping by permit, only in the East end of the High Meadow in the marked areas. \$15 for each stationary vehicle or trailer being camped out of, purchased at Registration. For RVs check with Registration.

**About Camp Fires.** Please do not move rocks to line a fire ring or create an open fire pit. Please do not burn paper, plastic or foil in fire rings; it leaves a poisonous residue that kills the soil. Please never, ever leave your fire, burning lanterns, heaters, or stoves unattended.

**Four Quarters is Green.** We do not provide any kind of trash service in camp, so you must pack out everything you bring in. Littering is profound disrespect of the Land and will be a cause for expulsion. Put your cigarette butts in your pocket.

**About Swimming.** Feel free to swim in the Hemlock Hole. But remember that it is wild, natural and dangerous. NO PROVISIONS FOR YOUR SAFETY HAVE BEEN TAKEN. YOU SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK, and NEVER, NEVER jump into the water, get out on the far bank or swim alone. Children MUST be accompanied by their responsible adult!

**Camp as lightly as possible upon the land.** Leaves and other loose materials should be left in place; they are natural mulch, which helps to prevent soil compaction or erosion. Dig no drainage ditches around your tents, or line pathways with tree limbs or rocks. For everyone's safety, ensure that tent stakes are at least six feet away from the road or path. Please do not camp in the marked workshop or sacred sites, and observe all parking signs.

**Our Clothing Policy.** In the public camp, dress as you would for a day at the beach, with skinny dipping in the river.

**About Our Drug and Alcohol Policy** Controlled substances and contraband are as illegal at Four Quarters as anywhere else. The legal drinking age in PA is 21. Please, no public area drinking of alcohol in original containers; put that brew in a cup. We have ZERO tolerance for intoxication of any kind.

**About Camp Etiquette.** Be a good neighbor and respect others. **No private radios or amplified instruments**, no excessively loud noise, and of course, no weapons.

**Arriving Early, staying Late?** Extra nights of camping are available; \$10 a night for Members, \$15 a night for Non-Members.

**PUBLIC INTOXICATION WILL BE CAUSE FOR EXPULSION**

**NO CARS IN CAMP WITHOUT A CAR CAMPING/PARKING PERMIT**

**FOUR QUARTERS IS GREEN; PLEASE TAKE YOUR TRASH BACK HOME WITH YOU**

The Stones stand tall, holding vigil as night falls.

The Ancestors' Crypt is open,

lit by candles and steeped in memory.

We stand together, in Circle, and we remember....

# Samhain 2023



*"Let us make future generations  
remember us as proud ancestors  
just as, today, we remember  
our forefathers."*

– Roh Moo-hyun

Friday, October 27th -  
Sunday, October 29th, 2023



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# Welcome to Samhain

As the veil between the Worlds twists and thins in the chilly night air, we gather once again to celebrate Samhain at Four Quarters. We stand, embraced within a ring of Standing Stones, and honor the Ancient rites of the Eleusinian Mysteries—the Descent of Beloved Persephone and her Ascendancy as Queen of the Underworld. Living traditions carried out in reverence for the Mystery that binds us All to the Great Wheel of the Year.

**Samhain 2023 at Four Quarters** will feature four major ceremonies, including a challenging midnight ceremony for the truly mad among us! We will feature expanded Children's programming, and all of your meals are included, because we recognize that breaking bread together forms the bonds of community and honors all that which makes us truly human.

**So, in the Circle on the Hill**, we will celebrate Persephone and Hades, and the bargain that ensures that the Seasons will continue. Won't you join us and add your magic to ours?

## Schedule

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27<sup>TH</sup>

12 noon-4:00 pm: Camp Set-Up

6:00 pm Dinner

8:00 pm **Ceremony: The Descent of the Beloved**  
Join us as we celebrate the beginnings of the Eleusinian Mysteries—the union of The Kore and Hades, and their flight to the Underworld.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup>

9:00 am: Brunch

10:00 am: Activity – Labyrinth Dig

10:00 am: Activity – (TBD)

12:00 noon Activity – Jack o Lantern Carving with Holland Hook

12:00 noon Ceremony – Sweat Lodge

2:00 pm: Activity: Story Time

3:00 pm: **Performance – Persephone and Hades: A Match Made in Hell**  
A dramatic retelling of the tale of the King and Queen of the Underworld. With Pamela Alexander

4:00 pm: **Activity – Mirth and Reverence**  
A workshop for children and their parents on how kids can get the most out of ceremony! With Michel Lehmmuller

6:00 pm: **Dinner – 6 Pomegranate Seeds**  
A Reflective Supper based on the Mysteries of the unfolding Seasons

8:00 pm: **Ceremony – The Queen Ascendant**  
When The Kore descends into the Underworld, she is reborn as Persephone, Queen of the Dead, and ascends to Goddesshood. Here we celebrate the Goddess ascendant and ripe with Mystery.

Midnight: **Ceremony – Those Who The Gods Would Destroy**  
(for the foolish and the brave) Explore the rites of ritual ecstasis and catharsis through the worship of Attis and Cybele. (Yes, we know it will be cold, and we are crazy for doing this!).

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup>

9:00 am-mid-afternoon: **Sweat Lodge Tear-Down and Clean-Up**  
(with breaks for Brunch and Ceremony) Many Hands Make Light Work. Come and help as we respectfully put away the *Inipi* for the Season. (All are welcome, no experience necessary) *Wopila Tanka!*

10:00 am Brunch

12:00 noon **Ceremony – The Bargain Sealed**  
As we say farewell to the Underworld we give thanks to the Mysteries that keep the Seasons of the year in their proper place, and honor the bargain between Demeter and Persephone.



**Health & Happiness and COVID-19 Policies.** – All of our regular *Health and Happiness* Hygiene practices remain in effect. It is the responsibility of everyone who comes on the Land to do all that they can to care for and protect each other. We remind unvaccinated people that they remain more vulnerable and should exercise appropriate caution in crowds and in close quarters. **Norovirus and coronavirus are highly contagious. Report symptoms to staff immediately if you or someone you know feels ill or displays symptoms. Symptomatic persons must immediately isolate.**